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February 1, 2022

Kwey Kakina,

It was recently brought to my attention that Chris Sky, Kelly-Anne Wolfe and others purporting to be Algonquins are planning on setting up a teepee and sacred fire in Confederation Park in support of the "Freedom Convoy". This letter is to serve notice that the Algonquin Nation does not support or endorse these actions whatsoever. We have watched while the city of Ottawa has been besieged by the trucks blaring their horns 24 hours per day, with National monuments being disrespected. We do not want to contribute to this madness, and are denouncing the continued actions of this group.

Unfortunately, when there is an issue like this, there are a number of individuals who only wish to sow chaos. It is also unfortunate that during these events there are many individuals who falsely proclaim that they are Algonquin, who think that appropriating our identity will give them some kind of immunity for their actions. When the true Algonquin Nation has needed to take action, we have always been up front, and worked with the city and various government agencies. This is not one of those cases.

I hope that you can find a peaceful resolution to this situation.

Sincerely,

Savanna McGregor

Acting Grand Chief
Algonquin Anishinabeg Nation Tribal Council



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